

REMARKSI. Introduction

In response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2007, claims 1-3, 5, 7, 8, and 13 have been amended. Claims 1-18 remain in the application. Re-examination and re-consideration of the application, as amended, is requested.

II. Specification Amendments

Upon review of several cases in light of upcoming rule changes at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Applicants' attorneys noted that several cases may be related to the present application. In order to comply with the new rules and with other requirements, such cases have been identified without incorporating the related cases by reference. Hence, no new matter has been added. The Examiner is encouraged to review these cases for related art and actions, although Applicant believes that all art and publications material to patentability to the present application has been cited during prosecution of this application.

III. Allowable Subject Matter

In paragraph 3, the Office Action indicates that the subject matter of claim 1-18 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

IV. Claim Amendments

Applicants' attorney has made amendments to the claims as indicated above to clarify the scope of the Applicants' claims.

V. Office Action Objections/Rejections

In paragraph 1, the Office Action objects to claims 1-18 because of various informalities. The same claims are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, because of the same informalities. The Applicants have amended the claims as suggested, and believe the claims are now in condition for allowance.

VI. Conclusion

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance and such allowance is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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